# Tamworth 4WD Club Newsletter - SEP 2022

Club Meetings - 2nd Tuesday each month. 6:30pm at St Johns Hall. 72 Napier Street, Tamworth.

Next meeting : 11th Oct 2022. 6:30pm.

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**Editors Dribblings**

Barrington Tops time !

October long-weekend is the trip that we've been hanging out for for months. Come tag along. All are welcomed for a nice cruisey trip. Sheba dams then through Barry Station to Elleston up to Barrington the back way, camping at Water Gauge or The Cascades on the Manning River.

Reminder that the annual membership fees are now due.
$60 at the next meeting, or preferably via bank deposit to
BSB 032-621 , Account Number 895405

Email : tam4wdclub@hotmail.com for any queries.

Meeting opened : 18h:30
Apologies : Adrian, Jodie.
Members in attendance: 7 Visitors (total) : 6

Correspondence IN
Toilet Roof incident - quote and invoice (below)

Correspondence OUT
August Newsletter

Treasureres Financial Report
Reserve Account $3291.18
Working Account $622.37

An incident occurred at the packing-up of Christmas in July whereby the roof of the portaloo on trailer became entangled with Graeme & Bushy's brilliant idea years ago to hold up the shelter up using a winch wire rope. Height of said toilet roof is higher than that of said winch wire rope. My fault for not putting bunting on the rope, and making it clearer to stand out.
A quote from the toilet hire company was sent and they assumed that the club could pay on this. A written reply was sent asking for a tax invoice, of which, was then sent from the hire mob but was quite a few more dollars than the invoice.
It was also discussed that the fellow at the hire mob said that "it happens all the time" upon the toilet-on-trailer was dropped off, and to "not worry about it".
Discussions was had by members. It was agreed that payment would be made of the initial quote. No doubt using the detailed information (bank details etc ) on the invoice. (…and see what comes of this)

General Business
Nil

Trips
Driver Training Awareness Day – Date to be set after the rains have stopped, Marge. And the property at Wallabadah is dry. Possibly looking towards November. Water is laying everywhere; had 60ml last night with the creeks all running a banker.

Trips

Barrington Trip :
Friday night of october longweekend at Sheba Dams. Leave the dams at 10am Saturday morning, head through Barry Station, GlenRock Station, through to Elleston.
An email has been sent to both Tamworth and Upper hunter Shire Councils asking if the road is currently opened/closed. Legally, the road is opened the entire way— (Stories of angry local cockies pulling over vehicles driving through). The road may be temporarily closed if it keeps raining. From Elleston, up to Barrington via Tomalla Road into Water Gauge spending Saturday and Sunday nights if there is space/noone else there. Backup plan is to camp at The Cascades, also on the Manning River, only ~five kms away. Come along, will be heaps of fun. Cruisey trip : grade 1 to 2.

Sofala, Hill End loop trip – Col. Date to be set after the rains have stopped and we know that the roads are open.

Coffs Harbour Trip – Paul. Date to be set

Coolah Tops trip – Dave. Date to be set

Mt Kaputar – Col. Date to be set

Gloucester to northbound via back roads – Col. Date to be set.

Taylors Arm – Paul. Date to be set.

Watch this space.

Meeting closed : 19:15.

# The clubs driver awareness/ training day.

POSTPONED. Wet wet wet !
New date to be set for November.

Do you love the outdoors? Enjoying the local scenery that our lovely land has provided? Love going four wheeling driving and meeting new people?

Tamworth 4WD Club is a local club of people who love camping, outdoors, meeting others around a camp fire.

We are offering a basic 4wd awareness day and would love to see YOU come and see what we can offer you.

**KEEP THIS DATE IN MIND**

Saturday 9th July 2022

Wallabadah, starting 930am.

Bring a chair, drinks, lunch and a smile.

Gold coin donation to WESTPAC RESCUE HELICOPTER SERVICE

Do you know how to recover your vehicle safely if you get stuck?

Do you know how to do a hill start?

If this suits you and wish to learn 4wding skills please contact and RSVP to Paul Ellison or David Maunder for directions

In association with the Tamworth 4wd Club, the "Col & Dave show" presents:

**THE SHEBA TO WATER GAUGE TRIP (Barrington Tops)**

Hear ye, hear ye. Come one come all

Date: Friday 30th Sep to Monday 3rd Oct.

Friday arvo/night of the October long-weekend will be at Sheba Dams. Typical fun, games and drinking around the fire will be had. For anyone that can not make it on the Friday night, head up Saturday morning to be there by 10am when we head off along Barry Road through Barry Station, Glenrock Station, the 147 creek crossings to Elleston. Depending on the status of the road with all of this rain. If the road is closed, it will be a drive back to Nundle, up and over Mt Crawney, past Timor Caves through to Elleston. From here, it is up to Barrington via Tomalla Road then up a back entrance ridge line of Gummi Road/Carters Road and into Water Gauge or The Cascades depending on the weather and how many people are abouts. Saturday and Sunday nights are at whichever location. No toilets, but heap and heaps of water in the Mannig River.

Come along, for a nice cruisey bush tour trip. Grade 1 to 2 but depending on the rain may become a possible 3. We may have to get out and lock the hubs.

For any questions, concerns or RSVP"ing, hit me up at : bushy555@gmail.com

Bring fire wood.

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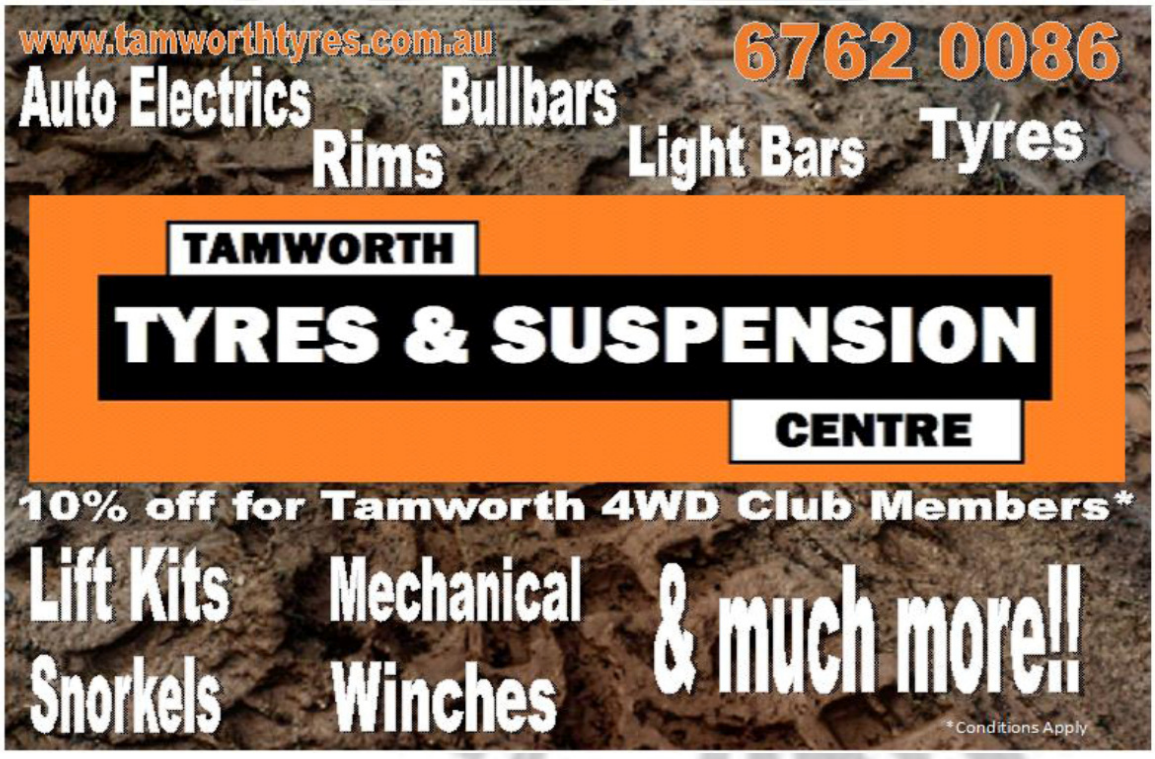

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# HISTORY OF THE TAMWORTH 4WD CLUB

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# THE CLUB'S OBJECTIVES

- To promote safety, friendship and courtesy, both ON and OFF the road, through training, community activities, club and family touring and camping activities
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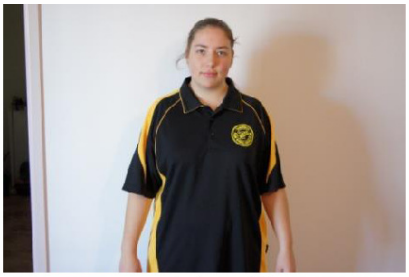
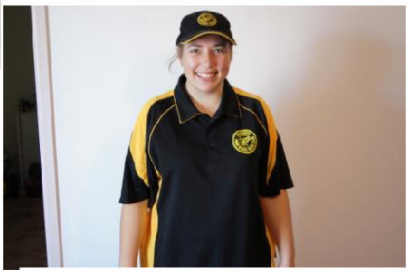
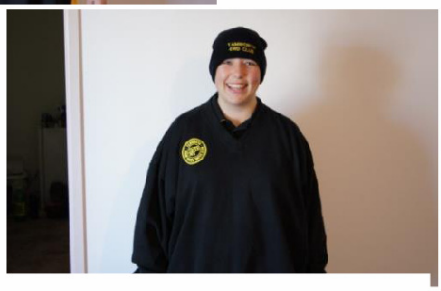
- To actively encourage the conservation of Australia's natural environment

# Trip Leader Responsibilities

- The trip leader is responsible for ensuring that the trip is conducted in a safe and responsible manner.
- All members who reserve a place in your trip should be recorded, their phone number  and an emergency contact number  taken. This will  allow you to advise them if the conditions change or to contact Family in the event of n emergency.
- A reconnaissance trip and good maps and/or knowledge of the area are required to conduct a safe trip.
- Any permission for access needs to be obtained beforehand.
- It is your responsibility to decide if the weather conditions have altered the trip grading, as you may need to advise the participants before the trip.
- At the start point, introduce yourself, check-in all participants, collect the donation for Westpac Helicopter, check the correct equipment if necessary, and explain the nature details of the trip to all. Assign a main backup UHF channel at this point.
- Ask two older members to act as control vehicles. A “Rear Marker” and “Centre Marker” are usually best to help guide the convoy safely.
- Proceed at a legal pace that suits all participants, and keep in touch with your designated control vehicles to judge the convoy’s progress.
- It is your responsibility to assess the track conditions, and guide the group throughout the trip to ensure a safe and enjoyable outing.
- At the conclusion of the trip, check-off all participants and retrieve any loan equipment if necessary.
- Take donation money to next meeting and hand to treasurer.

# Club Merchandise



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- $27 - Polo Shirts
- $30 - Jumpers
- $40 - Hoodies
- $15 - Caps
- $15 Beanies

Kids

- $22 - Polo Shirts
- $17 - T-Shirts
- $30 - Jumpers
- $35 - Hoodies

If anyone is interested in ordering merchandise please contact Treasurer – Leanne Middleton

## BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Name : Tamworth 4WD Club

B.S.B.: 032-621

Account Number: 895405

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PUT YOUR NAME AS THE REFENCE SO WE KNOW WHO THE MONEY IS FOR**

## MEMBERSHIP FORMS

All members will need to complete a membership form when paying their annual membership fees.

This helps to keep records updated on current members and for insurance purposes.

NEW FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT MEETINGS OR CONTACT THE SECRETARY

Email :
tam4wdclub@hotmail.com

**Tamworth 4wd Club Membership Renewal/Confirmation of Details**

**Surname:** ……

**First Name:** …… DOB: ……..

**Partner's Name:** …… …… DOB: ……

**Child's Name:** …… DOB: ……

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Model: ……..

Year: …….. Registration: …….

**Name of Relative/friend in case of emergency**: ……

**Emergency contact phone number:** ……

**Signature of Member:** …… Date: ……..

**Signature of Partner:** …… Date: ……

**Please bring completed form along to the next club meeting and hand it to the secretary or send to**

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**In order to comply with the Privacy Act and keep our records accurate, every club member needs to complete the following form and update their details:**

**Please answer the sections below and return ASAP:**

**Section 1**

Please tick the statement with which you agree

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**Section 2**

Please tick the statement with which you agree

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Names of Members:

_____

Member's Signatures:

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# MEMBERS CONDUCT

If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee, be contrary to the welfare or interest of the Club, the member may be called upon to justify and explain such conduct to a special meeting of the Committee and, if after consideration at such meeting, a majority present is of the opinion that the conduct of such member is as charged, the Committee may caution, suspend or expel such member. Any decision shall be conveyed to the member in writing by the Secretary. If the member so cautioned, suspended or expelled by the Committee wishes they may appeal in writing to the Club and request a Special General Meeting of the Club to discuss such appeal. The Special General Meeting so called my reverse of alter the Committee's decision on a two thirds majority of the members resent at such meeting. Such decision of the Special General Meeting of the Club shall be final.

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